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**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4157, AS REPORTED BY  
THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH  
OFFERED BY MR. TOWNS, MR. WYNN, AND MR.  
RUSH**

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2006]

In section 271(c) of the Public Health Service Act,  
as added by section 101(a) of the Bill, add at the end  
[page 7, after line 25] the following new paragraph:

1           “(5) PROMOTER OF HEALTH INFORMATION  
2           TECHNOLOGY IN MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED COMMU-  
3           NITIES.—The National Coordinator shall—

4                   “(A) identify sources of funds that will be  
5                   made available to promote and support the  
6                   planning and adoption of health information  
7                   technology in medically underserved commu-  
8                   nities, including in urban and rural areas, ei-  
9                   ther through grants or technical assistance;

10                   “(B) coordinate with the funding sources  
11                   to help such communities connect to identified  
12                   funding; and

13                   “(C) collaborate with the Agency for  
14                   Healthcare Research and Quality and the

1 Health Services Resources Administration and  
2 other Federal agencies to support technical as-  
3 sistance, knowledge dissemination, and resource  
4 development, to medically underserved commu-  
5 nities seeking to plan for and adopt technology  
6 and establish electronic health information net-  
7 works across providers.